# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

## FISCAL NOTE



HB 1476 - SB 1670

February 4, 2016

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Broadens the circumstances under which a grandparent can file a petition for visitation with a grandchild to include when a custodian opposes the visitation and when grandparent visitation has been significantly reduced by the custodial parent, parents, or custodian.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### NOT SIGNIFICANT

## Assumptions:

- Under current law, a grandparent can file a petition for visitation with a grandchild if visitation is opposed by the custodial parent or parents.
- The bill expands the current law by allowing a grandparent to file a petition when the visitation is opposed by a custodian and when grandparent visitation has been significantly reduced by the custodial parent, parents, or custodian.
- It is assumed that the bill will not significantly impact petitions filed by grandparents.
- The Administrative Office of the Courts and the Department of Children's Services confirm that the bill will not significantly impact their operations.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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